WEST LAFAYETTE TRAFFIC COMMISSION WEST LAFAYETTE CITY BUILDING WEST LAFAYETTE, INDIANA

TIME: 5:00 pm, Tuesday, February 18, 2009

PLACE: Lower Level Conference Room

PRESENT: Dave Buck Jim Knapp

David Christian Chris Leroux
Chris Daughtry Karen O'Farrell
David Downey Kumares Sinha

Carrie Ehresman Boudewijn van Gelder

VISITORS: Mayor Dennis Wendy Field

Beth Cook Jeromy Grenard

Chairman Sinha brought the meeting to order and determined there was a quorum. Mr. Christian made a motion to approve the January minutes and Mr. van Gelder seconded. The January minutes were approved as written.

There was some discussion regarding the March meeting. Purdue and West Lafayette schools are on spring break the week of our regularly scheduled meeting. Mr. Buck will wait and see if we have any agenda items. If there are no urgent items, we will notify members and cancel the meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

09-04 Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

Mr. Buck stated that local agencies have been working together to prioritize a list of projects that may be eligible for federal funds under the Stimulus Act signed on February 17, 2009. West Lafayette has three "shovel-ready" projects that may be eligible to receive funding; 2009 Salisbury Street Resurfacing from Robinson to Wiggins, ADA Sidewalk and Ramp, and Lindberg Road Resurfacing from Northwestern to Salisbury. Mr. Buck estimated that there would be between \$3.8M - \$3.9M for the local entities to share.

09-05 Roundabout Public Forum

Chairman Sinha has requested that the Engineering department organize a forum on roundabouts. He has requested that this forum be open to the public. It was discussed that there could be a presentation at the April Traffic Commission meeting which will be April 15th or April 22nd.

OLD BUSINESS:

09-01 Connolly Street Parking

Mr. Buck stated that the Engineering Department had gathered some preliminary data on Connolly Street. Mrs. Cook stated that Connolly was 24' wide with 13 parking spots on the north side of the street and 12 parking spaces on the south. One driveway is accessed from Connolly, the remaining driveways approach from Robinson, Salisbury, or an alley.

Mr. Buck asked Mr. Downey if he had any reported complaints from Connolly residents. Mr. Downey replied that he had not. Mrs. Ehresman stated she was hesitant to recommend a change when residents are not complaining. Chairman Sinha stated that it is difficult to justify the removal of parking when residents are using it. Captain Leroux will contact the director of the ambulance service and ask him if he has concerns with emergency access to Connolly Street.

08-09 Idling Buses

Chairman Sinha would like to revive a topic discussed in August 2008 regarding the idling of buses. Chairman Sinha asked commission members to prepare to discuss this topic at the May meeting. Chairman Sinha will talk to the Citybus director prior to the May meeting.

NEXT MEETING: 5:00 pm, Wednesday, March 18, 2009

Respectfully Submitted,

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City Engineer

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